## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

CARRIE WARREN,	)	
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Plaintiff,	)	
	)	CIVIL ACTION NO.:
V.	)	2:07-CV-449-MHT
	)	
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC	)	
HEALTH, et al.,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

# **DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS** FOR FAILURE TO STATE A CLAIM OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, MOTION FOR A MORE DEFINITE STATEMENT

COME NOW Defendants in the above-styled action and respectfully move this Court as follows:

- 1. Pursuant to Rule 12(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Defendants hereby move this Court to dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint for failure to state a claim. Plaintiff has failed to allege the basic elements of a claim against the Defendants as a matter of law.
- 2. Alternatively, Defendants move pursuant to Rule 12(e) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure for an Order from this Court requiring Plaintiff to provide a more definite statement as to the alleged claim against the Defendants.
- 3. In support of their Motion, the Defendants submit the brief filed contemporaneously herewith.

WHEREFORE, premises considered, Defendants respectfully request that the Court dismiss the Plaintiff's Complaint or alternatively, Defendants request that the Court require the Plaintiff to provide a more definite statement as to the claims against the Defendants.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 29th day of August, 2007, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was electronically filed with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the following:

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